COVER SHEET FOR AMENDMENT OF POST-TRAVEL SUBMISSION

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE PUBLIC RECORDS

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Instructions: Use this form as a cover sheet for any paperwork you may need to submit to the Office of Public Records in order to make your Privately Sponsored Post-Travel Submission complete in accordance with Rule 35. Only complete this form if you need to submit an amendment to a post-travel filing you have already submitted.

SUBMIT DIRECTLY TO THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC RECORDS IN 232 HART BUILDING

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Senator Joni Ernst	
Partnership for a Secure America ravel Expenses Paid by (List all sources):	
05/12/2018 - 05/13/2018 ravel Date(s):	
Final version of the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form Description/Title of Attached Forms:	
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urpose of Amendment (describe the reason for amending original submission):	
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(Signature of Traveler)

PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM

This form must be completed by any private entity offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to Senate Members, officers, or employees (Senate Rule 35, clause 2). Each sponsor of a fact-finding trip must sign the completed form. The trip sponsor(s) must provide a copy of the completed form to each invited Senate traveler, who will then forward it to the Ethics Committee with any other required materials. The trip sponsor(s) should **NOT** submit the form directly to the Ethics Committee. Please consult the accompanying instructions for more detailed definitions and other key information.

The Senate Member, officer, or employee MUST also provide a copy of this form, along with the appropriate travel authorization and reimbursement form, to the Office of Public Records (OPR), Room 232 of the Hart Building, within thirty (30) days after the travel is completed.

1.	Sponsor(s) of the trip (please list all sponsors):
	Partnership for a Secure America
2.	Description of the trip: Congressional staff weekend of foreign policy and national security lectures.
3.	Dates of travel: May 12-13, 2018
4.	Place of travel: Airlie Conference Center, Warrenton, VA
5.	Name and title of Senate invitees: See Attached List
6.	I certify that the trip fits one of the following categories: (A) The sponsor(s) are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal <u>and</u> do not retain or employ registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal <u>and</u> no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip.
	(B) The sponsor or sponsors are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, but retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and the trip meets the requirements of Senate Rule 35.2(a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) (see question 9).
7.	I certify that the trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.
	I certify that the sponsor or sponsors will not accept funds or in-kind contributions earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.
8.	I certify that: The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except for de minimis lobbyist involvement. AND
	The traveler will not be accompanied on the trip by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except as provided for by Committee regulations relating to lobbyist accompaniment (see question 9).

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9.	USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 6(B) I certify that if the sponsor or sponsors retain or employ one or more registered lobby ists or agents of a foreign principal, one of the following scenarios applies:
	(A) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and one overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member officer, or employee on any segment of the trip.
	(B) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and two overnight stays) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip (see questions 6 and 10).
	(C) The trip is being sponsored only by an organization or organizations designated under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip.
10.	USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 9(B) If the trip includes two overnight stays, please explain why the second night is practically required for Senate invitees to participate in the travel:
11.	An itinerary for the trip is attached to this form. I certify that the attached itinerary is a detailed (hourby-hour), complete, and final itinerary for the trip.
12.	Briefly describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip:
	Partnership for a Secure America (PSA) is solely responsible for planning and conducting this trip.
13.	Briefly describe the stated mission of each sponsor and how the purpose of the trip relates to that mission:
	PSA's mission is to promote bipartisanship in national security and foreign policy. This trip will bring
	together staff from both parties to build cross-party relationships and discuss diverse perspectives on
	pressing issues in the national security and foreign policy arena.
14.	Briefly describe each sponsor's prior history of sponsoring congressional trips:
	This will be the eighteenth such trip of this nature.

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In addition to this congressional staff program, PSA releases high-level bipartisan policy statements on a					
range of foreign policy topics. These statements are generally available to the public.					
Total Expenses for E	ach Participant:				
	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses	
Good Faith estimate Actual Amounts	\$35 (Coach Bus)	\$90 (For One Night)	\$77 (For 2 days)	\$191 conference services (over 2 days). This includes cost of breakout room, A/V equipment, and incidental snacks/refreshments.	
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21.	Describe how the daily expenses for lodging, meals, and other expenses provided to trip participants compares to the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government travel:			
	Meals and lodging are below the per diem rate.			
22.	Describe the type and class of transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first class transportation will be provided. If first-class fare is being provided, please explain why first-class travel is necessary:			
	Participants will be transported by a coach class bus.			
23.	I represent that the travel expenses that will be paid for or reimbursed to Senate invitees do not include expenditures for recreational activities, alcohol, or entertainment (other than entertainment provided to all attendees as an integral part of the event, as permissible under Senate Rule 35).			
24.	List any entertainment that will be provided to, paid for, or reimbursed to Senate invitees and explain why the entertainment is an integral part of the event:			
	None			
25.	I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true, complete and correct. (For trips involving more than one sponsor, you must include a completed signature page for each additional sponsor): Signature of Travel Sponsor:			
	Name and Title: Nathan Sermonis, Executive Director			
	Name and Title. Partnership for a Secure America Name of Organization:			
	Address: 1629 K Street NW, Suite 450, Washington, DC 20006			
	Telephone Number: (202) 293-8580			
	Fax Number: N/A			
	E-mail Address: sermonis@psaonline.org			

7:30 - 9:00 pm



Congressional Partnership Program Retreat Spring 2018

Saturday, May 12th

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1:30 pm	Depart from Union Station, Washington, DC
3:00 – 4:00 pm	Arrive at Airlie Conference Center & Check-in
4:00 – 5:00 pm	Material Review and Preparation
5:00 – 5:30 pm	Opening Remarks and Review of Agenda: Nathan Sermonis, PSA
	Nathan Sermonis will outline retreat agenda, provide logistical information for the weekend (i.e. location of restrooms, where to store luggage, etc.), and all attendees will introduce themselves.
5:30 — 7:00 pm	Airlie House – Meadow Room Guest Speakers: Bipartisan Panel Topic: Mechanics of a Bipartisan Deal – Magnitsky Act
	Panel will discuss the specifics of how they negotiated the language and contents of the Magnitsky Act, a law designed to sanction individuals thought to be responsible for the death of Sergei Magnitsky.
7:00 – 7:30 pm	Federal Room Room Pre-Dinner Reception Informal conversations with guest speakers
	Attendees will have an opportunity to informally speak with the guest speakers of the bipartisan panel and Amb. Ryan Crocker.

Federal Room





Keynote Dinner

Guest Speaker: Ambassador Ryan Crocker

Topic: Global Challenges for Today and Tomorrow

Ambassador Crocker will address the national security and foreign policy challenges he deems most critical in the short and long term.

9:00 - 10:00 pm

Federal Room

After-Dinner Reception

Informal conversations with guest speakers

Attendees will have an opportunity to speak with guest speakers of the bipartisan panel and Amb. Ryan Crocker.

Sunday, May 13th

8:00 - 9:00 am

Airlie House – Dining Room

Breakfast

9:00 - 12:00 pm

Group A

Airlie House – Meadow Room

National Security Council Simulation

National Security Advisor: Mr. Robert Sheldon, Director for Policy – Emerging Threats at the

Business Executives for National Security

Participants will engage in a simulation where they are asked to negotiate a solution to a hypothetical foreign policy crisis.

9:00-10:30 am

Group B

Airlie – Jefferson Room

Guest Speaker: Ms. Bonnie Glaser, Senior

Advisor for Asia, CSIS

Topic: Future of US-China Policy

Ms. Glaser will address US-China Policy including the upcoming North Korea summit, tensions in the South China Sea, and tarrifs among other things.

10:30 - 12:00 pm

Group B

Airlie – Jefferson Room

Guest Speaker: Melinda Haring, Editor of the UkraineAlert Blog at the Atlantic Council & Thomas Carothers, Senior Vice President for Studies at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

Topic: Does Democracy Matter?

Ms. Haring and Mr. Carothers will address US efforts to promote democracy abroad, areas of success and failures, and why these efforts are/aren't important.

12:00 - 1:00 pm

Airlie House – Dining Room

Lunch and informal conversations with guests

speakers

1:00 - 2:00 pm

Informal conversations with guest speakers

Attendees will have an opportunity to speak informally with guest speakers including Mr. Sheldon, Ms. Glaser, Ms. Haring, and Mr. Carothers



2:00 - 5:00 pm

Group B

Airlie House – Meadow Room National Security Council Simulation National Security Advisor: Mr. Robert Sheldon, Director for Policy – Emerging Threats at the **Business Executives for National Security**

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2:00 - 3:30 pm

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5:00-5:30 pm

Airlie House – Meadow Room Wrap-up and Departure from Airlie

Nathan Sermonis will provide closing remarks thanking participants and speakers, reminding them of the location of their luggage and the bus to return to D.C.